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SUBJECT: PRESS COVERAGE ON COL. MORGAN'S ABDUCTION

1. WASHINGTON POST AND BALTIMORE SUN GAVE STORY FRONT PAGE
COVERAGE, CHRISTIAN SCIENCE MONITOR MENTIONED IT IN STORY
ON CRISIS IN LEBANON, AND NEW YORK TIMES MADE NO MENTION.
POST AND SUN NOTE THE DIFFICULTY FACING US IN SECURING
MORGAN'S RELEASE IF HE IS BEING HELD BY PALESTINIANS,
SINCE US DOES NOT RECOGNIZE PLO LET ALONE FRINGE GROUPS.
POST STATED MEN WHO TOOK MORGAN FROM CAB REFERRED TO HIM
AS QUOTE AN AMERICAN GENERAL UNQUOTE SENT TO RESUPPLY RIGHT-
WING GROUPS IN THE CIVIL FIGHTING. THE SUN CITED AN
UNIDENTIFIED PRO-PALESTINIAN NEWSPAPER THAT QUOTE A FOR-
EIGNER...NOT CARRYING IDENTIFICATION PAPERS UNQUOTE WAS
ARRESTED BY QUOTE RESISTANCE MOVEMENT MEMBERS UNQUOTE

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SUNDAY NIGHT NEAR THE AIRPORT.

2. WE WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY'S KEEPING DEPARTMENT
INFORMED OF LOCAL PRESS COVERAGE ON ABDUCTION. INGERSOLL

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